

FREE STATE CLEARED

Lord Roberts Has Succeeded In Demoralizing the Boers.

JOURNALISTS DECLARE WAR IS OVER.

Britons Enter Kroonstad and Hoist Union Jack Over President Steyn's Former Headquarters.

A London special under date of May 14th was as follows: "The war is practically over," says The Daily Chronicle's Kroonstad correspondent, and in less definite terms this is the view to be gathered from all the correspondents. They picture the Boers as utterly demoralized and disheartened by Lord Roberts's unexpectedly rapid advance and by his facile turning of the carefully prepared positions of the Boers.

There was practically no fighting and there are no further details to give respecting the occupation of Kroonstad. The correspondent of The Daily Telegraph says:

"The union jack was hoisted in the market place by Mrs. Lookhead, the American wife of a Scotchman. Most of the horses of the Boers are in a wretched condition, but President Kruger declares he will continue the war."

It appears that the Boers at Kroonstad had been reinforced by 3,000 men from Natal Friday and that altogether 10,000 men with twenty guns trekked from Kroonstad on the approach of Lord Roberts.

The Boers made an ineffectual stand at Baschrand and had elaborate intrenchments in front of Kroonstad, which offered great facilities for a rearward action. They only anxiety, however, appears to have been to get away safely with all their guns and convoys, which again they have successfully accomplished. The few stores they were unable to carry away they burned.

President Steyn is represented as having been frantic with rage and as having kicked and cursed the burghers after vainly imploring them to continue the fight.

Thus the situation at the seat of war in South Africa is as satisfactory from the British point of view as the most sanguine friend could have hoped. The occupation of Kroonstad practically places the whole Orange Free State in British possession.

It is evident from Lord Roberts's last dispatch that the disintegration has commenced. The Free States are scattering to their homes, while the Transvaalers have gone northward, declining to fight longer in the Orange Free State. What little resistance the former still are likely to make seems to be centering at Lindley, whither President Steyn has transferred his government.

It is evident that the strategy of Lord Roberts and the rapidity of his advance have bewildered and disheartened the Boers, as their resistance since the British reached Zand river has been slight.

There is no further news regarding the advance of the relief column to Mafeking, but it is possible that Lord Roberts's success will result in forcing the Boers to raise the siege. Pretoria advances via Lourenzo Marques state that the Boers' supply of smokeless powder is exhausted and that all efforts to manufacture a fresh supply have been in vain.

BAPTISTS FIGHT SALOONS.

Southern Convention at Hot Springs Declares War On Liquor Traffic.

Hostilities against the liquor traffic were begun Saturday in the Southern Baptist convention, in session at Hot Springs, Ark. Rev. Dr. J. B. Cranfill, of Texas, introduced a vigorous resolution declaring the enmity of the Southern Baptists against the traffic in every way. The resolution declared the liquor traffic to be the greatest barrier to the work in the home and the foreign mission field.

Congress is denounced for nullifying the law abolishing the canteen and the establishment of the army canteen and saloons are declared to be blots on our civilization. Protest is made against the national government issuing licenses in localities where prohibitory laws are in force.

FILIPINOS BADLY WORSTED.

Troops of the Forty-third Regiment Take Charge of Three More Towns.

A Manila special says: The towns Hilongos, Masina and Leyte have been recently occupied by troops of the Forty-third regiment. The enemy opposed the landing of the troops, and their losses were heavy. There were three American casualties.

British Have German Prisoner. Among the prisoners of the foreign legion captured during the fighting at Zand river was a German named Trickman, from Erfurt. He claimed to be a journalist, but was found hiding in the cactus bush with a rifle in his hand.

THIS CORPORATION EXEMPT.

Virginia Judge Says It Cannot Be Forced Into Bankruptcy.

Judge Edmund Waddell, Jr., of the United States district court at Richmond, Va., has decided, in the case of the Commercial Building and Loan Association, that the association is not a corporation such as could be forced into bankruptcy under the act of 1898. The proceedings will be dismissed. The case is the first of its kind and establishes a precedent.

STREET CAR TRAGEDY.

Negro Shoots White Man and Is In Turn Taken Charge of By a Mob With Usual Result.

A tragedy occurred on a Summerville electric car Sunday afternoon, just before dark, in which Aleck Whitney, one of the best known young men in Augusta, Ga., a graduate of the Technological institute at Atlanta, was shot and killed by a young negro man, William B. Willis.

Whitney and his friend, Lieutenant Pinckney Steiner, were riding together on the car when the negro, Willis, got on the car, accompanied by a negro woman. It was an open car with seats running across it from one side to the other, and the negro and his companion, Hattie Wade, got in at the seat occupied by Whitney and others. The negro told Whitney to get up and give the lady a seat, which he declined to do.

The negroes forced themselves into the seat, the man sitting partly upon Whitney, who shoved him off forcibly. The two men grappled and the negro pulled a pistol and shot twice. One bullet entered Whitney's eye and the other missed, but grazed Pinckney Steiner's hand and buried itself in the back of a car seat. Steiner seized the pistol and prevented the third shot, the hammer coming down upon his hand.

Whitney fell limp across the back of the seat in front of him, and the greatest excitement resulted among the passengers on the crowded car, women growing hysterical.

The negro tried to escape from the car, but was seized by passengers, disarmed and was soon taken charge of by an officer who was attracted by the shooting.

Whitney died as soon as he reached the hospital, where he was carried in the ambulance.

The police authorities took quick action and within a few minutes twenty-five officers with rifles were on guard at the jail. They were at their posts but a short time when a mob of seventy-five people had assembled. The crowd prevailed upon Dr. T. A. Plunkett to enter the jail and ascertain if the prisoner was there. He reported in a few minutes that he was not.

Divining the intention of the police, two separate mobs, it is said, boarded the two outgoing trains in order to catch the prisoner before he should reach a place of safety.

The officers with their prisoner missed the central of Georgia train for Savannah, and after waiting some time at an out-of-the-way place, boarded the night train on the Georgia railroad for Atlanta.

News soon reached Augusta to the effect that the prisoner was discovered on the Georgia train and taken off at Grovetown by the mob and lynched. A meeting of citizens late Sunday night decided to call the attention of the city council to the fact that the state law regarding the separate seating of whites and blacks was not being enforced.

RUMORS OF UPRISING.

Engaged Attention of American Officials in Manila the Past Week.

The latest rumor of an outbreak in Manila among the natives, which was in circulation last week, was seriously discussed by some of the local papers, and attracted more general attention than has usually been the case with this sort of thing.

As a matter of fact many Filipinos did leave the American employers with the apparent intention of joining some such movement. Their action, taken in connection with the arrest of several natives for carrying concealed weapons and the dispersion of several suspicious gatherings, gave color to the reports.

The officials have been active in the matter, but are not inclined to think an uprising will be attempted.

ST. LOUIS FOLK WALK.

No Sunday Cars Run—District Attorney Threatens Injunction.

An earnest effort was made Saturday to settle the street railway strike at St. Louis by means of arbitration along the lines suggested by W. H. Woodward and other employers of union labor. The efforts came to nothing, however, as the strikers and street car companies could not be brought together on any proposition involving the recognition of the union in the manner desired.

Not a wheel on any of the lines, except of the mail cars, was turned in the city Sunday.

EMPLOYEES SUSPECTED.

The Chicago Waterworks Department Alleged to Be Out \$200,000.

A scheme by which the city of Chicago has been defrauded out of sums aggregating \$200,000, according to Chief Detective Coleran, has been unearthed by detectives and two men are now in jail charged with conspiracy, while seven others are under surveillance. Clarence M. Wolfe and Geo. W. Pigott, employees of the water office in the city hall, are under arrest charged with participating in the conspiracy which, it is said, has been going on for over five years.

BROOKE SUCCEEDS MERRITT.

Retiring Commander of Department Will Make Tour Abroad.

Two important orders were issued by the war department Wednesday. One granted General Wesley Merritt, commanding the military department of the east, leave of absence with permission to go abroad. The other assigned Major General J. E. Brooke to the command of the department of the east, with headquarters at Governor's island, New York.

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"O, Dick," replied Julia, earnestly, "I saw in the Ladies' and Gents' Home Journal an account of how a man supported himself, his wife and two children on \$350 a year. I'll run and get the paper."

Invitations were issued the following week.—Detroit Free Press.

Tetter and Eczema.

"What will you charge me for 1 dozen boxes Tetterine? I know it to be a splendid remedy for the cure of Tetter and Eczema. I would like to keep it for sale. Mrs. Emma Plummer, Waynesboro, Miss." If your druggist don't keep it, send 50c. to J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga., for a box.

A Fish-Hawk Story.

Henry Seymour, a veteran fisherman, and one of the most practical men in Talbot County, fishes on the Choptank River, and was bothered the other day by fish hawks robbing his nets of early roe herring. He was losing at least a dollar a day by the depredations of these birds. His practical sense came to his aid and he trapped the hawks in a very ingenious manner. He had stakes driven down about the nets and shaped out from shingles wooden decoy fishes, which he fastened to the ends of the stakes with barbed steel spears, so that the imitation fish showed just under the water. The fisherman watched the artful fish hawks until four, diving from aloft for the wooden fish, were pierced through and killed by the barbed spear.—Baltimore Sun.

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Her Approval.

"What do you think of my new hat?" said Willie Washington, as he exhibited a low-crowned affair with a twist of gaudy material around it.

"I like it very much," answered Miss Cayenne. "The wearing of it is another glad assurance that this is a free country, where people may do anything they choose so long as it's harmless."—Washington Star.

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All That Was Necessary.

"Were your amateur theatricals a success?"

"Oh, yes; every one in them had friends enough to convince him that he was the best one of the lot."

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 30c. a bottle.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption is an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

J. C. Simpson, Marquette, W. Va., says: "Hall's Catarrh Cure cured me of a very bad case of catarrh." Druggists sell it, 75c.

Cook of the Walk.

Mamma—I'm glad to see you playing with good little boys now.

Tommy—Yes'm. They ain't like the other kind. I kin lick any one of these kids if I want ter.—Philadelphia Press.

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Even Senators Do It.

A well-dressed gentleman, whose bearing indicated standing, refinement and wealth, clung to a strap in a Pennsylvania avenue car a few days ago. The car was crowded. When he was approached by the conductor and his fare requested he ran his fingers in the little change pocket of his overcoat.

His hand sought his right trousers' pocket, the left and those of his vest, at last, going through every pocket in his clothes.

A blank look of amazement overspread the gentleman's face, followed by a smile, in which the passengers near him joined.

"Really," he exclaimed to the conductor, whose smile had not yet appeared, "really, I am much embarrassed. I find to my chagrin that I haven't any money whatever upon me, not even a car ticket. I will have to ask you to pass me on my face."

"I can't do that," answered the conductor. "I don't know you. Could not, anyway."

"Can't you make an exception this time? I am Senator —, and will certainly send the fare to the company immediately upon reaching the capitol."

The conductor joined in the laugh, which by this time had become general, and walked to the front end of the car. A passenger handed the Senator a car ticket, which the latter accepted with appropriate thanks and paid his fare with it.—Washington Evening Star.

The Part She Didn't Like.

The other day a wee little woman who lives in a suburb saw and heard a donkey for the first time, says the Cincinnati Enquirer. She talked about it continually after getting home.

It was a "good donkey," it was also a "beautiful donkey." In fact, the child went completely through her small store of adjectives. And when her father came home at night he heard the adjectives all over again.

"And so you liked the donkey, darling, did you?" he asked, taking the tiny lass on his knee.

"Oh, yes, papa, I liked him. That is, I liked him pretty well, but I didn't like to hear him donk."

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Mrs. Strong—"Decidedly not. Man should be made to feel his inferiority."—Puck.

THE HEALTH OF YOUNG WOMEN

Two of Them Helped by Mrs. Pinkham—Read their Letters.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I am sixteen years old and am troubled with my monthly sickness. It is very irregular, occurring only once in two or three months, and also very painful. I also suffer with cramps and once in a while pain strikes me in the heart and I have drowsy headaches. If there is anything you can do for me, I will gladly follow your advice."

—MISS MARY GOMES, Aptos, Cal., July 31, 1899.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—After receiving your letter I began the use of your remedies, taking both Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier. I am now regular every month and suffer no pain. Your medicine is the best that any suffering girl can take."

—MISS MARY GOMES, Aptos, Cal., July 6, 1899.

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"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I wish to express my thanks to you for the great benefit I have received from the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I suffered constantly from terrible dizziness, had chills, was nervous and dizzy. I had tried different kinds of medicine but they all failed entirely. After taking three bottles of Vegetable Compound and three of Blood Purifier I am all right. I cannot thank you enough for what your remedies have done for me."

—MISS MATHIDA JENSEN, Box 18, Ogdenburg, Wis., June 10, 1899.

Blowing Him Down.

Dr. Isaac Barrow was an eminent divine, great at long sermons; three hours were nothing to him. On one occasion he was preaching in the Abbey, and had got well on in his "tenthly, my brethren," without any indication of the stream's running dry. Now the Abbey is a show-place as well as a church; and the showmen to wit, the vergers—became restive under the eloquence of Dr. Barrow. Accordingly, as the voracious chronicler records, they "caused the organs to play, until they had blown him down."

"Here again, you see, the organs blew. Whether the organist was asleep—not unlikely, for organists prefer a sleep to a long sermon any day—and one of the vergers officiated at the keys, I do not know, but I confess I should like to have heard the "voluntary"—at name—that "blown" Isaac Barrow down.—Longman's.

LANGUID



How are the children this spring? Complaining a good deal of head-ache, can't study as well as usual, easily fall asleep, and are tired all the time? And how is it with yourself? Is your strength slipping away? Do you tremble easily, are your nerves all unstrung, do you feel dull and sleepy, and have you lost all ambition?

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A big, fine-looking man sat in the corner of a South Side car reading his newspaper. Next to him sat a little woman in an up-to-date frock. She had a box of candy in one hand and an open libretto in the other. She tried to get a newspaper from a boy who came through the car, but the conductor broke up the transaction, and seizing the small newspaper dealer, put him off. Then the pretty woman in the up-to-date frock paid her fare in pennies and smiled.

The big man's newspaper was spread out before her eyes, and she glanced at the head lines. Then she read half a column about a thrilling rescue of a typewriter girl by a gallant fireman. She glanced sideways at the big man. Apparently he was taking no notice. She began on a story of burglars in a South Side flat, how they bound and gagged a woman, stole her sealskin sack, and—

"Oh, oh! the horrid things!" she exclaimed excitedly. The big man looked around inquiringly, and then, quite as a matter of course, he said:

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